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NOTE

The reply filed on 11/8/2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants state that

“Applicant does not understand how the reply filed on October 22, 2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action. Applicant herein repeats its statement of October 22, 2007, that it elects the embodiment of Claim 1. To be more specific: Applicant elects the species set forth in Claim 1. Applicant considers this to be a full response to the Office Actions of November 1, 2007 and October 11, 2007.”

However, applicants' response is incomplete and non-compliant to the species election requirements in Office action mailed 8/21/2007. More specifically, in addition to elect claim 1 in Category I (Embodiment of Core Material), a single species in Categories II (Shape of Member) and III (Fibrous Fleece Material) must also be elected, respectively. Claims shall be restricted commonly elected species from all the categories, if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).